# HF Happenings 922

*Sun shine is good for your radio, get outdoors!*



IF YOU CAN, GET OUTSIDE & ENJOY THE OUTDOORS!

Carina and I did it the past week!

## Results of the Spring QRP Contest

Four logs were received for the Spring QRP Contest held on Saturday 10 October.

1st Danie Schnetler, ZS6DPS – 52 points
2nd Theuns Potgieter, ZS2EC - 40 points
3rd Dienie Schnetler, ZS6DNI - 27 points
4th Johannes van Zijl, ZS4DZ - 12 points

**The combined results of the 4 QRP Contests**

1st Danie Schnetler, ZS6DPS – 311 points
2nd the West Rand ARC, ZS6WR - 246 points
3rd Dienie Schnetler, ZS6DNI – 192 points
4th Kobus Boshoff, ZS6BOS - 100 points
5th Theuns Potgieter, ZS2EC - 68 points
6th Andre le Roux, ZS2AL - 65 points
7th Nic van Duffelen, ZR6AEZ - 54 points
8th the Sandton ARC, ZS6STN - 48 points
9th Nick Dreyer, ZS1N - 30 points
10th Johan de Villiers, ZS1DE - 27 points
11th Johannes van Zijl, ZS4DZ; Jack Kotze, ZS6JJK and Veronica Kotze, ZS6TVK – 16 points
14th Romeo Nardini, ZS6ARQ - 7 points
15th Stephen Rough, ZS6STE and Gert du Plessis, ZR6GRT – 5 points
17th Johann Bezuidenhout, ZS6JBZ – 4 points
Check logs: Paul Schoeman, ZS2PS and Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT
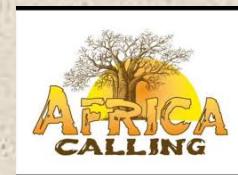
## Results of the SARL 80 m QSO Party

Results were received for the SARL 80 m QSO Party, but there is an enquiry about a missing log, so the results will be published later.

## African DX

*Contacts with stations on the African continent count towards the SARL's All Africa Award (www.sarl.org.za/public/awards/awards.asp)*

Morocco, CN. Special call sign CN45MS will be active between 1 and 7 November from Oujda, Morocco to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the so-called Marche Verte (Green March). QSL via RW6HS.

Malawi, 7Q. Operators from the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) will be active as 7Q7RU near Embangweni, Malawi, between 6 and 18 November. Operators state, "We had planned to visit three exotic African countries in October-November 2020, but just only Malawi borders are open for foreigners. The mentioned operators are Vasily, R7AL; Vasily, RA1ZZ; Al, RZ3K and possibly others (On-site support from Don, K6ZO, 7Q6M and Junior, 7Q7JN). Activity will be on 160, 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres (with a focus on 160/80 m) using CW, SSB and FT8 (H/F mode). QSL via R7AL, LoTW or ClubLog's OQRS. For more details and updates, see https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/7q7ru

## African Islands

Madagascar, 5R. Sandro, IN3PPH, is expected to be active as 5R8SS from Andilana, Madagascar (AF-013) and Nosy Be Island (AF-053) once the dreaded Lurgi-19 restrictions are lifted. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via IN3PPH, direct or LoTW.

Guinea, 3XY. Members of the Radio Club de Provins, F6KOP https://www.f6kop.com, who were expected to activate Kassa Island (AF-051) in January 2021, posted the following on 20 October:
"Hello everyone - We were waiting as long as it was possible to, but we will have to cancel and postpone our expedition to Guinea (Conakry) 3X. The dreaded Lurgi 19 disease prevents us from making our expedition. The Guinean Embassy no longer issues tourist visas and as of the end of October/beginning of November we can no more wait for a January 2021 DXpedition. We have to make a difficult decision, so we decided to postpone this expedition to the end of 2021 or beginning of 2022. We know that many of you were waiting for us, but do not worry. We will be ready for new adventures with F6KOP..."

## Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 19 to 26 October 2020

Classic Exchange, Phone
14:00 UTC 18 October to 08:00 UTC 19 October and 14:00 UTC 20 October to 08:00 UTC 21 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide

Mode: AM, SSB, FM
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m
Classes: (see rules)
Exchange: Name, RS, state, province or country and rcvr/xmtr manuf/model

Work stations: Once per band per mode per rcr/xmtr manuf/model
QSO Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: (see rules)
Score Calculation: Total score = sum (total mode QSO points x total mode mults) and Bonus Points
Submit logs by: 31 January 2021
E-mail logs to: k2rp@arrl.net
Mail logs to: K2RP, 659 Shanas Lane, Encinitas, CA 92024, USA
Find rules at:
http://www.classicexchange.org/announcments/Fall_2020_CX_Rules.pdf



Illinois QSO Party
17:00 UTC 18 October to 01:00 UTC 19 October
Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW/digital, Phone
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, 2 m
Classes: Fixed - high or low; Mobile; Portable; Rover; Non-IL - high or low
Max power: HP: >200 Watts; LP: 200 Watts
Exchange: IL: RS(T) and County; non-IL: RS(T) and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band per mode per county
QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per CW/digital QSO
Multipliers: IL Stations: Each IL county, state, VE province once; IL Stations: Each DXCC country (max of 5) once; non-IL Stations: Each IL county once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 19 November 2020
E-mail logs to: n9jf@arrl.net
Mail logs to: WIARC, PO Box 3132, Quincy IL 62305-3132, USA

Find rules at:
http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP%202020%20Rules.pdf

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
23:00 UTC 18 October to 01:00 UTC 19 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Band; All Band
Max power: 5 Watts
Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent
Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members worked
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 25 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
http://qrpcontest.com/pigrun/autolog.php
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: http://qrpcontest.com/pigrun/

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 19 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 Watts; LP: 100 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 10 points per QSO with same country; 20 points per QSO with different country, same continent; 30 points per QSO with different country, different continent
Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 21 October 2020
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html

ARRL School Club Roundup
13:00 UTC 19 October to 23:59 UTC 23 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, Phone, RTTY/Digital
Bands: All, except 60, 30, 17, 12 m
Classes: Single Op (I); Non-School Club (C); School Club/Group (S)
Max operating hours: 24 hours total; 6 hours out of any 24-hour period with off times of at least 10 minutes
Exchange: RS(T), Class (I/C/S) and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per CW/RTTY/digital QSO
Multipliers: States and VE provinces and DXCC countries and (2x class C QSOs) and (5x class S QSOs)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 7 November 2020
Post log summary at:
http://contests.arrl.org/arrlscrscoresubmission.php
Mail logs to: School Club Roundup, c/o LIMARC, PO Box 392, Levittown, NY 11756, USA
Find rules at: http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup

Telephone Pioneers QSO Party
18:00 - 19:00 UTC 19 October (Digital Only) and 19:00 UTC 19 October to 03:00 UTC 20 October (All Modes)
Mode: CW/Digital, Phone
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, VHF/UHF
Classes: (none)
Exchange: Members: RS(T), chapter no and name; non-Members: RS(T) and name
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Bonus Points: (see rules)
Multipliers: Chapter numbers once per mode
Score Calculation: Total score = (CW/Dig QSO points x CW/Dig mults) and (Ph QSO points x Ph mults) and bonus points
Submit logs by: 10 December 2020
E-mail logs to: n6tpjim@gmail.com
Mail logs to: Jim Muiter, 4233 Wooster Ave., San Mateo, CA, 94403, USA
Find rules at: http://www.tpqso.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/TPQSO-Announcement-2020.pdf



RSGB FT4 Contest Series
19:00 - 20:30 UTC 19 October
Geographic Focus: United Kingdom
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: FT4
Bands: 80 m Only
Classes: 100 Watts; 10 Watts
Exchange: 4-character grid square
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each large locator square
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 20:30 UTC 20 October 2020
Upload log at: https://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2020/r80m_ft4.shtml

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 20 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Overlay: Youth (26 years old or younger); Youth YL

(female 26 years old or younger); YL (female older than 26 years
Max power: HP: 1 500 Watts; LP: 100 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: RS and age group (OM, YL, Youth YL or Youth)
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 5 points per QSO with YL; 10 points per QSO with Youth; 15 points per QSO with Youth YL
Multipliers: Each DXCC once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 01:59 UTC 21 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at: https://logs.wwsac.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: https://wwsac.com/rules.html



RTTYOPS Week Sprint
17:00 - 19:00 UTC 20 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op
Max operating hours: 2 hours
Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name,
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 27 October 2020
E-mail logs to: rtty-week-tuesday@nrrlcontest.no
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week Sprint/

Phone Fray
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 21 October
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: 100 Watts
Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station
Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 23 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contest_Rules.pdf

CWops Mini-CWT Test
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 21 October and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 22 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Awards: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 Watts; LP: 100 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: Member: Name and member no; non-Member: Name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: Each call once
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 24 October 2020
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/

RTTYOPS Week Sprint
17:00 - 19:00 UTC 22 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op
Max operating hours: 2 hours
Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name,
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 29 October 2020
E-mail logs to: rtty-week-thursday@nrrlcontest.no
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week Sprint/

NCCC RTTY Sprint
01:45 - 02:15 UTC 23 October
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: (see rules)
Classes: (none)
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 25 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
http://www.ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html

NCCC Sprint
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 23 October
Geographic Focus: North America
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: (see rules)
Classes: (none)
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 25 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com/
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html



CQ Worldwide DX SSB Contest
00:00 UTC 24 October to 23:59 UTC 25 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Awards: Worldwide
Mode: SSB
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP, low or high; Single Op Single Band - QRP, low or high; Single Op Assisted All Band - QRP, low or high; Single Op Assisted Single Band - QRP, low or high; Single Op Overlays: (Classic/Rookie); Multi-Single – low or high; Multi-Two; Multi-Multi
Max power: HP: 1 500 Watts; LP: 100 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: RS and CQ Zone no
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 0 points per QSO with same country (counts as mult); 1 point per QSO with different country same continent; 2 points per QSO with different country same continent (NA); 3 points per QSO with different continent
Multipliers: Each CQ zone once per band; Each country once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 30 October 2020
E-mail logs to: (none)
Upload log at:
http://www.cqww.com/logcheck/
Web-to-Cabrillo form:
http://www.b4h.net/cabforms/cqwwssb_cab.php

Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
http://www.cqww.com/rules.htm

Kentucky State Parks on the Air
14:00 - 22:00 UTC 24 October
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW, SSB, Digital
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op KY Park - low or high; Single Op - low or high; Multi-Single KY Park - low or high; Multi-Multi KY Park - low or high; Multi-Op - low or high
Max power: LP: 100 Watts; HP: >100 Watts
Exchange: KY Park: park abbreviation; W/VE: state or province; DX: "DX"
Work stations: Once per band per mode
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO; Bonus: 3 points for QSO with K4MSU
Multipliers: Each KY park once per band per mode
Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points and bonus points) x total mults
Submit logs by: 7 November 2020
E-mail logs to: kypota@murray-ky.net
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: https://k4msu.com/kypota/



RTTYOPS Weekend Sprint
16:00 - 19:59 UTC 24 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: RTTY
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op (Wires Only); Single Op Multi-Band; Single Op Portable; Single Op Mobile; Multi-Op (Max 2 ops due to dreaded Lurgi-19)
Max operating hours: 4 hours
Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no, your name and 6-character grid locator,
Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per km between stations; 500 points bonus if new 4-character locator
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points and bonus points
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 31 October 2020
E-mail logs to: rtty-weekend@nrrlcontest.no
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at:
https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-weekend-sprint/

K1USN Slow Speed Test
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 26 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high
Max power: HP: >100 Watts; LP: 100 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and state, province or country
Work stations: Once per band
QSO Points: 10 points per QSO with same country; 20 points per QSO with different country, same continent; 30 points per QSO with different country, different continent
Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 28 October 2020
Post log summary at:
http://www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html

QCX Challenge
13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 26 October and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 27 October
Geographic Focus: Worldwide
Participation: Worldwide
Mode: CW
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
Classes: Single Op
Max power: HP: >5 Watts; QRP: 5 Watts
Exchange: RST, name, state, province or country and Rig
Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with QCX station; 1 point per QSO with non-QCX station
Multipliers: (none)
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points
Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 3 November 2020

Post log summary at: http://www.3830scores.com
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: http://www.qrp-labs.com/party.html

## Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 27 October
RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 27 October
SKCC Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 28 October
Phone Fray, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 28 October
CWops Mini-CWT Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 28 October and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 29 October
UKEICC 80 m Contest, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 28 October
RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 29 October
RSGB 80 m Autumn SSB Series, 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 29 October
NCCC RTTY Sprint, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 30 October
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 30 October
Zombie Shuffle, 16:00 - 24:00 local 30 October
UK/EI DX SSB Contest, 12:00 UTC 31 October to 12:00 UTC 1 November
Russian WW Multimode Contest, 12:00 UTC 31 October to 11:59 UTC 1 November
RTTYOPS Weekend Sprint, 16:00 - 19:59 UTC 31 October
North American SSB Sprint Contest, 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 1 November
Silent Key Memorial Contest, 06:00 - 08:59 UTC 1 November
Classic Exchange, CW, 14:00 UTC 1 November to 08:00 UTC 2 November and 14:00 UTC 3 November to 08:00 UTC 4 November
High Speed Club CW Contest, 15:00 - 18:00 UTC 1 November
K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 2 November
RSGB 80 m Autumn Data Series, 20:00 - 21:30 UTC 2 November
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 3 November
ARS Spartan Sprint, 02:00 - 04:00 UTC 3 November
RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 3 November

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